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3-Heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivatives

DECLARATION

I, Matthias Christian Witschel, a doctor of natural sciences, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany and residing at 81, Wittelsbachstrasse, 67061 Ludwigshafen, Germany, declare as follows:

I am a fully trained chemist, having studied chemistry at the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, from 1985 to 1994;

I was awarded my doctor's degree by the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg in 1994; I was a post-doctoral fellow at the Stanford University from 1994 to 1995;

Since 1996, when I joined BASF Aktiengesellschaft of 67056 Ludwigshafen, Germany, I have been engaged in the synthesis of herbicides and herbicide screening;

I am one of the inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in Application No. 09/091,300 and therefore I am familiar with the field to which the said application relates. I have studied the Office Action that has issued in this case and read the references cited therein.

In order to show the herbicidal action of the inventive 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl derivatives I according to application Serial No. 09/091,300 I carried out experiments as described in Application Ser. No. 09/091,300 (see page 159, line 16 to page 160, line 9). The plants used in these experiments belong to the following species:

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Scientific name	Common name
Abutilon theophrasti	Velvetleaf
Alopecurus myosuroides	Blackgrass
Amaranthus retroflexus	Pigweed
Avena fatua	Wild oat
Chenopodium album	Lambsquarters
Echinochloa crus-galli	Barnyardgrass
Galium aparine	Catchweed
Ipomoea ssp.	Momingglory
Polygonum persicaria	Ladysthumb
Setaria faberi	Giant foxtall
Setarla viridis	Green foxtail
Sinapis alba	White mustard
Solanum nigrum	Black nightshade
Triticum aestivum	Winter wheat
Veronica ssp.	Speadwell
Zea mays	Com

<u>Table 1:</u> Herbicidal action of compound A of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha		250 g/ha
		Damage [%]	
Chenopodium album	100		100
Echinochloa crus-galll	90		90
Polygonum persicaria	100		98
Setaria viridis	100		98
Solanum nigrum	95		95

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Table 2: Herbicidal action of compound B of the present invention at an application rate of 125 and 62.5 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	125 g/ha		62.5 g/ha
		Damage [%]	
Chenopodium album	100		100
Polygonum persicaria	100		100
Setaria faberi	85		85
Setaria viridis	98		95

<u>Table 3:</u> Herbicidal action of compound C of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha		250 g/ha
		Damage [%]	
Amaranthus retroflexus	95		95
Chenopodium album	98		98
lpomoea ssp.	100		95
Polygonum persicarla	98		98
Setaria faberi	95		95
Setaria viridis	100		100

Table 4: Herbicidal action of compound D of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha
••		Damage [%]
Chenopodium album	98	98
Ipomoea ssp.	100	95
Setaria faberi	95	95
Setaria virldis	100	100
Sinapis alba	98	98

Table 5: Herbicidal action of compound E of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha
		Damage [%]
Chenopodlum album	95	95
Echinochloa crus-galll	90	90
Setaria viridis	95	95
Setaria faberi	95	95

Table 6: Herbicidal action of compound F of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha
, in the second		Damage [%]
Crop Plant		
Trticum aestivum	0	0
Unwanted Plants		
Chenopodium album	95	95
Echlnochloa crus-galli	90	90
Polygonum persicaria	95	95
Setaria faberi	90	90

Table 7: Herbicidal action of compound G of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha Damage [%]
Crop Plant		_
Zea mays	0	0
Unwanted Plants		
Chenopodium album	100	100
Echinochloa crus-galli	90	90
Polygonum persicaria	98	90
Solanum nigrum	95	95

Table 8: Herbicidal action of compound H of the present invention at an application rate of 125 and 62.5 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	125 g/ha	62.5 g/ha
, pp		Damage [%]
Amaranthus retroflexus	95	95
Chenopodium album	100	100
Ipomoea ssp.	100	100
Polygonum persicaria	98	98
Setaria viridis	98	98

Table 9: HerbicIdal action of compound I of the present Invention at an application rate of 125 and 62.5 g/ha of active Ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	125 g/ha	62.5 g/ha
		Damage [%]
Chenopodium album	100	100
Polygonum persicana	100	100
Setaria viridis	95	90
Sinapis alba	98	95
Veronica ssp.	95	95

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Table 10: Herbicidal action of compound J of the present invention at an application rate of 125 and 62.5 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	125 g/ha	6	2.5 g/ha
		Damage [%]	
Amaranthus retroflexus	100	1	00
Avena fatua	95	!	90
Chenopodium album	98	!	98
Polygonum persicaria	100	1	00
Sinapis alba	98		98

Table 11: Herbicidal action of compound K of the present invention at an application rate of 125 and 62.5 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	125 g/ha	62.5 g/ha
		Damage [%]
Chenopodium album	100	100
Ipomoea ssp.	95	90
Polygonum persicaria	100	100
Setaria virldis	90	90
Solanum nigrum	90	90

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Table 12: Herbicidal action of compound L of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active Ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha
		Damage [%]
Abutilon theophrasti	95	95
Chenopodium album	100	100
lpomoea ssp.	100	100
Setaria vindls	95	95
Sinapls alba	98	98

Table 13: Herbicidal action of compound M of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

500 g/ha	250 g	/ha
	Damage [%]	
100	100	
100	100	
95	95	
100	100	
98	98	
	100 100 95 100	Damage [%] 100

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Table 14: Herbicidal action of compound N of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

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500 g/ha	250 g/ha
	Damage [%]
100	100
95	95
100	100
95	90
100	98
	100 95 100 95

Table15: Herbicidal action of compound O of the present invention at an application rate of 500 and 250 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	500 g/ha	250 g/ha
		Damage [%]
Alopecurus myosuroides	95	95
Amaranthus retroflexus	100	100
Polygonum persicaria	100	100
Setaria viridis	100	98
Veronica ssp.	100	100

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Table 16: Herbicldal action of compound P of the present invention at an application rate of 250 and 125 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	250 g/ha	125 g/ha
F		Damage [%]
Chenopodium album	100	100
Ipomoea ssp.	90	90
Polygonum persicaria	100	98
Setaria faberi	90	85

<u>Table 17:</u> Herbicidal action of compound Q of the present invention at an application rate of 250 and 125 g/ha of active ingredient (post emergence treatment in greenhouse)

Application rate	250 g/ha		125 g/ha
•		Damage [%]	
Chenopodium album	100		100
Polygonum persicaria	95		95
Setana faberi	85		85
Solanum nigrum	95		90

The tables 1 to 17 clearly demonstrate that the compounds according to application Serial No. 09/091,300 are suitable for controlling unwanted plants.

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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information or belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signed at 67056 Ludwigshafen, Germany, this 21 day of October, 1999.

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